

SIMPLE LARCENY EXPLAINED.

We would bring to the attention of our Trial Justices, for their information, the decision of the Supreme Court as to the legal signification of the term Simple Larceny, which, heretofore, has been generally believed to be any taking, *animus furandi*, of property under the value of \$20. Now the larceny attended with aggravating circumstances, is a Felony, though under the value of \$20. The following extract is from the decision referred to, delivered in the case of the State vs. Clay.

Our Statute does not make every petit larceny a misdemeanor, but only simple larceny, Gen. Stat. Sec. 2,498. Where therefore the larceny is aggravated by some special circumstances which render it compound, the provisions of the statute do not apply, and the offence remains as at common law, a felony, and is not reduced to the grade of a misdemeanor.

PROPERTY REPRESENTATION.

A correspondent, whose thoughtful letter was published yesterday, advises that the Constitution of the State be so amended that both population and property shall be specifically represented in the State Legislature, as was the law in South Carolina from 1808 to 1868. The prime reason for the proposition is the necessity of protecting the property-holding class from the raids of those who have little or no property, and who pay no taxes.

There is great complaint already in the State on the subject of the incident of taxation by reason of the inequality of assessment. If facts count for anything in political calculations South Carolina is in danger, and no other State is, of being taxed at will by voters who pay no taxes. The plan which has been submitted will protect the people against this, and no where is such protection more necessary, we imagine, than in the upper part of the State. As well as can be judged, the majority of the voting population is to be found in the lower counties. And these counties, by representation in proportion to population alone, can control South Carolina legislation.

We have no doubt that the proposition to amend the Constitution will excite surprise, and it is not unlikely that heedless persons will deride it and even denounce it; but the white people of the State—the property holding class—need some safe-guard, and we know of no better safe-guard than that which has been described.—*News and Courier.*

The poor of the State are too large a class to listen, with any degree of patience, to the proposition advocated by the *News and Courier* of representation based on property. Again the poor are well aware of the vast wealth of the County, and the wealth of the County to receive, with favor, any such theory, no matter how artfully presented. The plan, if effected, would still more unequalize representation in Columbia, and the opportunities would be larger for class or local legislation. Charleston, the metropolis, and dwelling place of the nabobs, would increase her large delegation, which is now such a shame to our Northern neighbors.

State laws, to meet the ends aimed at, must emanate from wise heads of every interest and section. Let us not have county representation based on a property valuation, which would only increase the delegations of a few counties, and might, in time to come, should the pendulum ever swing, be a weapon in the hands of the enemy. How would a property requisite at the ballot box affect the race in power, and secure the privileges enjoyed.

South Carolinians have much to be proud of in the *News and Courier*, and we have always admired the ability, manliness and fairness exhibited by our distinguished co-temporary, but in this instance its reasoning appears like sophistry dictated by selfish motives for local aggrandizement.

THE HOAR BILL.

Consequent to the sudden death of the lamented Vice-President Hendricks has arisen a grave sense of injury and National danger. The question of succession to the Presidency, has not been one of recent agitation only, but has engaged the minds of many of our ablest men and journals, for a long time. These prudential measures however, were permitted to find no echo in our Legislative Halls, until the death of Mr. Hendricks, so unexpected, so unlooked for, brought before the American people, and their Representatives, the direful possibility of having, through a combination of adverse circumstances, the country reduced to the extremity of being without a head.

It is with great satisfaction that we see, in the Federal Halls, measures introduced looking to that end. A Bill by Senator Hoar, of Massachusetts, has already been approved by both Houses the provisions of which, as we understand them, will effectual-

ly set at rest the well grounded uneasiness of a great and powerful people, that they may, some day, perhaps through the hands of an assassin, be plunged into anarchy. The succession, set out in the bill, will meet any probable exigency, running, as it does, through the entire Cabinet, and while it is only a possibility, rather remote, that such a state of things may exist, yet, common prudence would suggest, that we incur no risks, where such momentous consequences might result from the want of such protection.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

WASHINGTON, JAN. 8, 1886.

When Congress reassembled this week after a fortnight of holiday making, the scene in both Houses was interesting. The Senators plunged into to work with a spirit that betokened they were refreshed by their relaxation, and the Representatives were on hand, eager to learn where fate and Speaker Carlisle had cast them with regard to the standing Committees.

The speaker looked weary and careworn, having been up nearly the whole night before working upon his committee list and trying to make fifty good places go around among three hundred ambitious politicians. Of course there was some disappointment, as there always is, and some ill-feeling over the list when it was announced. Still the less favored members are disposed to acknowledge that Speaker Carlisle desires to be just and fair to all. Owing to the great diversity of opinion on important questions, even in his own party, the Speaker's position is a peculiarly difficult one.

The work of the session will now begin in earnest. An immense amount of new business will be presented for consideration, though the country is more interested just now in the quality than the quantity of measures passed. Thus far seventeen hundred house bills have been introduced, and several States are yet to be heard from.

It is hoped the re-organization of the House committees, the changes and promotions made among them, will have a salutary effect upon legislation. The revisions of the rules, which attracted the attention of the country, will certainly have the effect of expediting such measures as are of urgent importance. It will enable committees to select their important bills and consider them, if a majority so wishes. There will be no wrangling over "points of order" as to legislation on appropriation bills, and there will be far less friction than before as to precedence of business.

Considerable interest has attached to Senatorial proceedings during the last few days. Senator Beck disclaimed any attack upon the Administration in his anti-holiday speech, and inquired if Senator Morrill had not misconstrued his recent utterances, on the silver question. The Senator from Vermont said he had misunderstood Mr. Beck's allusion to the President and his financial adviser, the Secretary of the Treasury, and took pleasure in saying so. Both Senators seemed to feel better after this explanation and immediately was sprung the question of Woman Suffrage in Utah.

That clause of the Utah bill prohibiting women from exercising the right of suffrage in the Territory came up. Senators Hoar of Mass. and Blair of New Hampshire, two prominent champions of woman's rights, combined in an attack upon this section of the bill, and stirred Senator Edmunds to some of his old-time spirit. Senator Edmunds declared that the majority of the women of the United States do not sigh for the right to vote. At present he thinks society is better off without such a union of the home and the field of politics.

"Whenever our wives, sisters and sweethearts," said he, "believe that they can serve society and themselves better by going into politics than by confining themselves to the sphere in which they are now employed, they shall have the aid of my vote in attaining their object."

Senator McPherson, of New Jersey, answered Senator Beck's recent speech by sustaining the President's position, advocating the position of silver coinage. Senator Gray, the successor of Secretary Bayard, made his maiden effort in the Senate in defense of the same measure. The forensic debut of Mr. Gray was listened to with much curiosity and interest. Being a fine looking man and having a good voice and manner he made rather a favorable impression upon both the Senate and galleries. He was however, embarrassed by his surroundings and by an ungracious remark made by Senator Edmunds. The latter had the floor and was asked to yield in order that Senator Gray might speak on the silver question. Mr. Edmunds said he would not refuse, because it was so important for new Senators to make

their speeches that nothing but the falling-in of the Senate walls should prevent them. Mr. Gray did not look very grateful for this caustic introduction, but made no reply to it, and proceeded with his speech, which he read from manuscript.

Delinquent Land List
CLARENDON COUNTY
FOR 1884-5.

Notice is hereby given, that the whole of the several parcels, lots and parts of lots of Real Estate described in the following List, handed me by Co. Treasurer for publication, or so much thereof as will be necessary to pay the taxes, penalties and assessments charged thereon, will be sold by the Treasurer of Clarendon Co., before the Court House on the 1st Monday in February 1886; Unless said Taxes, costs and penalties be paid before that time. And said sale will be continued from day to day, until all of said parcels, lots or parts of lots of Real Estate be sold, or offered for sale.

Auditor's Office.	
Fulton Township.	
B. P. Barron	150 acs.
John C. Manning	260 acs.
J. C. & J. A. Manning	130 acs.
Calvary Township.	
Daniel Billups	40 acs.
Joseph or James Caney	52 acs.
Stinkler Rodgers	17 acs.
Theodosia Rodgers	21 acs.
Susan Rodgers	17 acs.
H. J. Rogers	37 acs.
W. W. Whilden & Co.	906 acs.
Friendship Township.	
T. F. Brewer	10 acs.
Rufus Ragin, Sr.	40 acs.
St. Pauls Township.	
William Johnson	25 acs.
G. Manigault	428 acs.
Mrs. J. D. Pack	100 acs.
Wm. K. Ryan	2,300 acs.
Santee Township.	
R. J. Aycock	43 acs.
Ellen Childers	65 acs.
Henry Frierson	130 acs.
G. W. Richbourg	100 acs.
A. R. Taber	1000 acs.
R. S. Thames	144 acs.
Ben Waiters	60 acs.
St. Marks Township.	
Carolina Mack	35 acs.
John Simon	50 acs.
Concord Township.	
Mrs. S. G. Brunson (Bocchett)	260 acs.
Anna Davis	2 acs.
Mrs. P. Dyson	84 acs.
S. A. Durham	50 acs.
Wm. K. Ryan	354 acs.
St. James Township.	
Mrs. E. N. Frierson	200 acs.
Sammy Swamp Township.	
A. C. & M. C. Butler	428 acs.
Mrs. M. E. Cochran	45 acs.
J. W. Childers	100 acs.
Harriet Frierson	47 acs.
Mrs. Mary A. Hodge	155 acs.
Mrs. Anna E. McCauley	123 acs.
E. B. Rowe (for 1884-5 and 1885-6)	100 acs.
Manning Township.	
Est. of March Davis	50 acs.
W. M. Deason	143 acs.
James McCauley	10 acs.
Daley Pack	50 acs.
B. A. Walker agent	58 acs.
Mount Zion Township.	
James Cannon	50 acs.
R. Cannon	100 acs.
J. E. Evans	202 acs.
Mrs. Ann Kelly	25 acs.
Est. of H. M. Plowden	300 acs.
W. N. Tobias	52 acs.
Aaron Weinberg	216 acs.
Brewington Township.	
W. J. & M. A. Cannon	64 acs.
W. J. M. Cannon	110 acs.
Mrs. J. A. Haynsworth	243 acs.
Est. of William Johnson	46 acs.
J. P. Lowder	8 acs.
Joseph Robin	5 acs.
Est. of Ben Richbourg	100 acs.
J. H. Tobias for children	206 acs.
Plowden Mill Township.	
Chloe Moses	10 acs.
Rufus Plowden	17 acs.
Harmony Township.	
Mathias Abraham	190 acs.
M. J. Holladay	145 acs.
Mrs. S. A. Richbourg	311 acs.
Mrs. E. Thompson	40 acs.
S. E. Taylor	700 acs.
Midway Township.	
Joseph O. Burgess	4 acs.
Syfax Milton	51 acs.
Robertson Taylor & Co.	850 acs.
Cyrus Scott	8 acs.
New Zion Township.	
Miss S. F. Fleming	100 acs.
James Hudson (cold)	40 acs.
R. M. C. Knowlton	12 acs.
W. O. McIntosh	300 acs.
Sentry McFaddin	50 acs.
Mrs. M. M. McFaddin	35 acs.
Douglas Township.	
W. W. Barfield	30 acs.
L. D. Barrow	247 acs.
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Andrew Floyd	37 acs.
Jim Hudson	200 acs.
Elizabeth McElveen	70 acs.
W. N. Robertson	100 acs.
M. M. Robertson	74 acs.
James Robertson	50 acs.
John Rush	130 acs.
R. J. Welch	100 acs.
W. D. Weaver	100 acs.
Sam Woods	50 acs.
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Mrs. E. H. Floyd	125 acs.
Daniel Morris	75 acs.
S. J. McKenzie	100 acs.
Est. of Wright Wilson	123 acs.
G. T. Worsham	118 acs.
Motts Township.	
Jesse Caraway	115 acs.
S. M. Frye	20 acs.
M. N. Floyd	40 acs.
James Graham	25 acs.
W. E. Hicks	58 acs.
Nelson Hendricks	30 acs.
Laura A. Hickson	21 acs.
J. L. M. Lee	100 acs.
M. McKenzie	100 acs.
R. W. Osborn	72 acs.
W. D. Parker	176 acs.
Est. of R. J. Welch	100 acs.

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